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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Kevin K. Lehmann, et al. : Art Unit:
Serial No.: 10/644,137 : Examiner:
Filed: : August 20, 2003 :
FOR: : TAPERED FIBER OPTIC STRAIN :
GAUGE USING CAVITY RING-DOWN :
SPECTROSCOPY :

STATUS REQUEST

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

S I R :

The status of the above-identified application is respectfully requested. This application was filed on **August 20, 2003** and to date the official filing receipt has not been received.

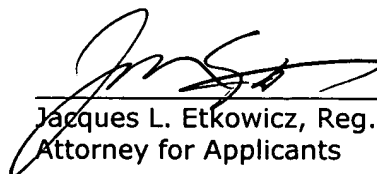
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Application Serial No. 10/644,137 is currently

- ☐ Assigned to Group _____ and awaits:
☐ Action by the Examiner.
☐ Applicant's response to the Office Action mailed
_____.

Applicants also request that the official filing receipt be provided at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,



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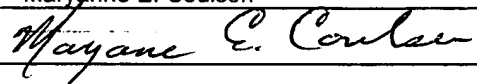
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